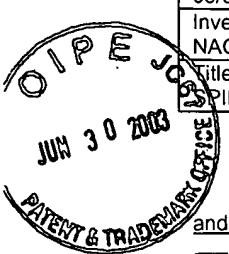


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Inventor(s) NAOYA HASEGAWA			
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Transmitted herewith is Transmittal Letter (in duplicate); Amendment and Response to Restriction/Election Requirement; and Postcard Receipt.

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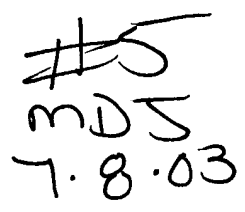
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In response to the Office Action dated May 29, 2003, in the above-referenced case, Applicant elects to prosecute Invention I, drawn to a spin valve magnetic head.

As set forth on page 2 of the Office Action, the claims directed to this invention are claims 1-12.

In addition, please enter the following amendment:

**In the Claims:**

Please cancel non-elected claims 13-28.

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